

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

A method for transmitting electronic information items over a network includes registering a first user via a first client machine and a second user via a second client machine with a discovery machine wherein the first client machine, the second client machine and the discovery machine are coupled to a network. A communication is initiated from the second user via the second client machine to the first user via the client machine through the discovery machine. It is determined that the first user will accept the communication and a direct link is established between the first client machine and the second client machine and the communication is delivered.